

Operations

in a

Digital Age

2018

**November 8-9** 



### **WELCOME**

The Global Operations Conference brings together industry and academia leaders to share best practices, debate current issues, and advance the worldwide practice of operations.

The world of operations is constantly evolving and companies are increasingly focused on digitizing their business to compete in today's world. Technology is driving advancements in operations, offering new opportunities to redefine business models, engage customers, capture efficiencies, and make datadriven business decisions.

This year, the Tauber Institute seeks to explore the ever-changing world of operations through the conference theme: Operations in a Digital Age. We are excited to hear from leading industries on the topics of Digitizing Operations, Power of IoT, Sustainability, and Big Data.

Corinne Beemer GOC Co-Chair

Jeff Eyler GOC Co-Chair All events take place at the Ross School of Business.

# Thursday, November 8th

10:00 am - 4:00 pm	PwC and Strategy& Case Competition Finals	Various Rooms	
	Student and Company Coffee Chats		
4:00 - 5:45 pm	Alumni Happy Hour	Pizza House	
6:00 - 7:00 pm	Welcome Reception		
7:00 - 7:15 pm	Opening Remarks by Joel Tauber and Dr. Alec D. Gallimore, Robert J. Vlasic Dean of Engineering	Ross	
7:15 pm	Dinner		
7:30 - 7:45 pm	Case Competition Winner Announcement	Colloquium	
7:45 - 8:45 pm	<b>Keynote Address:</b> The Digital Imperative and the New Age Operating Model Toby Brzoznowski, Co-Founder and Chief Strategy Officer of LLamasoft		
8:45 - 9:00 pm	Close		

# Friday, November 9th

8:00 - 8:45 am	Networking Breakfast	
8:45 - 8:55 am	Introductory Remarks	
9:00 - 9:45 am	<b>Keynote Address:</b> Digital Transformation Journey Mary Ellen Smith, Corporate Vice President, Microsoft	Ross Colloquium
9:55 - 10:55 am	Panel 1: Digitizing Operations: From Manufacturing to Services	R1210
	Panel 2: Unlocking the Power of IOT	R1220
11:05 am - 12:00 pm	Panel 3: Sustainability in the Digital Age	R1210
	Panel 4: Decision-Making in a Big Data World	R1220
12:15 - 1:15 pm	<b>Lunch &amp; Keynote Address:</b> Where is Operations Headed over the Next 25 Years? Russell Hensley, Partner, McKinsey Detroit	Ross Colloquium
1:15 - 1:30 pm	Closing Remarks	
1:30 - 4:00 pm	Student and Company Coffee Chats	Various Rooms

## Toby Brzoznowski

#### Thursday Evening



Toby is the co-founder and Chief Strategy Officer of LLamasoft. Over the last decade, he has helped bring supply chain design into the corporate mainstream as a key business process and competitive weapon and has positioned LLamasoft as the leading global supply chain design technology provider. Toby is a frequent presenter and panelist at supply chain and logistics leadership forums, has been named a 'Pro to Know' and has authored dozens of articles on the growing importance

of supply chain design as a key competitive weapon. Toby has over 20 years of experience in building and growing technology businesses, primarily focused on process improvement and analytics. His expertise has been used to launch new technologies into mainstream use at global Fortune 500 businesses. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan.

## Mary Ellen Smith

#### **Friday Morning**



Mary Ellen Smith is Corporate Vice President of Microsoft Business Operations where she leads digital transformation operational strategy, planning and execution for end-to-end global operations and launch services supporting the breadth of Microsoft products, services, and programs worldwide. She also leads transactional management including order-to-cash capabilities supporting both physical and digital supply chain solutions for more than \$110B of Microsoft's revenue annually.

Her team is known as a center of excellence for launch, transactional management, risk and protection services, compliance, and incubating operations for new business models and go-to-market motions. She leads a global organization of 1,100+ Microsoft professionals and 5,000 external contract providers. Under her leadership, Microsoft's regional operating centers have been consistently recognized as the Best Place to Work in each of their respective locations.

Smith is a dedicated advocate for advancing accessibility and inclusion in the workplace. She serves as Executive Sponsor of multiple Microsoft Employee Resource Groups committed to diversity and inclusion and was a core member of the team that launched Microsoft's Autism Hiring Program. In 2015, Smith was honored to represent Microsoft's inclusive hiring practices as a speaker at the United Nations. Mary Ellen Smith holds certifications from Stanford University's Graduate School of Business. She received her bachelor's of science degree from Bowling Green State University and master's degree in business administration from Wright State University.

## Russell Hensley

#### **Friday Afternoon**



Russell Hensley is a Partner in McKinsey's Detroit Office and a leader in McKinsey's Global Automotive and Assembly Practice. He co-leads the McKinsey Center for Future Mobility and specific global initiatives on sustainable mobility, driving thought leadership and client service on both vehicle electrification and shared mobility. Mr. Hensley joined McKinsey in 2003, and has focused the past 15 years on both strategic and operational transformations with a number

of global automotive, mobility and related industry players. Prior to McKinsey, he led Vehicle Engineering Operations in North America for Ricardo Consulting Engineers and the Motor Industry Research Association. He has a Bachelor of Engineering, with Honors, in Mechanical Engineering from Leeds University, England, and a Masters in Business Administration, with Distinction, from The University of Michigan. He serves on the Industry Advisory Board (IAB) for the Tauber Institute providing industry leadership, cooperation, feedback. Russell lives in Northville, Michigan and, during his spare time, enjoys restoring and riding British motorcycles from the 1940s and 1950s.

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#### **Digitizing Operations: From Manufacturing to Services**

Discussion on how companies are using multiple levers to digitize business operations across both manufacturing and service oriented industries. Application examples include: Intelligent Process Automation, Machine Learning, and IoT.

#### PANEL MEMBERS:



Fred Mauermann, Global Lean Manufacturing (General Electric)



Jeff Rooks, Director, Enterprise Improvement (AlixPartners)



Jeff Tazelaar, Director, Digital Fulfillment Center (The Dow Chemical Company)



Ed Petkus, VP of Engineering for Airplane Programs (Boeing)



Chuck Graham, GM of Cloud Sourcing and Supply Chain (Microsoft)



MODERATOR
M.S. Krishnan
Associate Dean for Executive Programs
Accenture Professor of Computer Information Systems
Professor of Technology & Operations
Ross School of Business

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#### **Unlocking the Power of IoT**

Discussion on how companies are approaching IoT as a means to improve their business operations, including: factory operations, planning and inventory, and supply network and logistics.

#### **PANEL MEMBERS:**



Steve Jones, Technical Material and Process Consultant (Steelcase)



Simon Jones, CEO (MainSheet OP)



Danny Davis, Partner (American Industrial Partners)



David Bromwich, Director of Operations (Motivate International Inc.)



MODERATOR
Brian Talbot
Professor Emeritus of Business Administration
Professor Emeritus of Operations and Management Science
Ross School of Business

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#### Sustainability in the Digital Age

Discussion on how companies are using digital tools to drive improved sustainability across their supply chain.

#### **PANEL MEMBERS:**



Oliver Campbell, Director of Procurement and Packaging Engineering (Dell)



Piyush Bajpai, Site Leader (Amazon)



Josh Mellinger, Senior Engagement Manager (Deloitte)



MODERATOR

Peter A. Adriaens

Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering, College of Engineering Professor of Entrepreneurship, Ross School of Business

Professor of Natural Resources and Environment, School of Environment and Sustainability

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#### **Decision-Making in a Big Data World**

Discussion on how companies are using advances in technology to drive greater business insight and operational improvements through data and analytics.

#### PANEL MEMBERS:



Andy Miller, Finance Director, One Commercial Partner (Microsoft)



Kaushik Archaya, Senior Operations Manager (Amazon)



Shashank Chiranewala, VP of Strategy (NITS Solutions)



Sudesh Kent, Global Manufacturing Services (General Motors)



MODERATOR

Hyun-Soo Ahn

Jack D. Sparks-Whirlpool Corporation,
Research Professor of Business Administration

Professor of Technology and Operations, Ross School of Business

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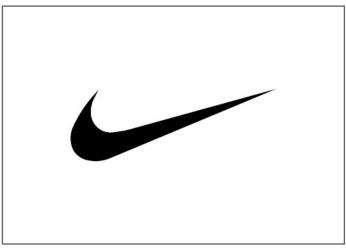
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